

United States Steel Corporation Clairton Works 400 State Street Clairton, PA 15025

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Subject: USS Reference Number: 09-0295

ACHD Reference Number: N/A

#2 Control Room USS Clairton Works

Gentlemen:

The attached form confirms our verbal report of the subject incident. Any questions concerning this matter should be referred to Coleen M. Davis at 412-233-1015.

Sincerely,

Plant Manager Clairton Works

Mark G. Tabler

## NOTICE OF OUTAGE OF EQUIPMENT ARTICLE XXI - SECTION 2108.1

- 1. USS Reference Number: 09-0295 ACHD Reference Number: N/A
- 2. Date & Time of Breakdown: Date: 04/29/09 Time: 1748 hours
- 3. Company Name: U.S. Steel Corporation USS Clairton Works
- 4. Specific Equipment Involved or Affected: #2 Control Room
- 5. BAPC Permit Number (if applicable):
- 6. Location: Clairton, PA
- 7. Nature and cause of breakdown: The Main Regenerators were bypassed for approximately 50 to 60 seconds to allow the
  replacement of a solenoid. This resulted in a reduced level of
  coke oven gas processing at the #2 Control Room.
- 8. Identification of Emissions:
  - A. Type(s) (CO, NOX,  $SO_2$ , Particulates, Hydrocarbons, etc.) Elevated  $H_2S$  in the downriver and under-firing gas line systems, causing increased  $SO_2$  and VOC at point of combustion.
  - B. Toxic qualities of each type (including its qualities as an irritant, and its potential for causing illness, disability, or mortality). SO<sub>2</sub> is and VOC could be an eye, nose, and throat irritant.
  - C. Amount of each type emitted (or likely to be emitted).
    Light to moderate
- 9. Measures taken (or to be taken) to minimize length of breakdown and amount of emissions, including shutdown or curtailment (or why it is impossible or impractical to do so). The repairs were completed.
- 10. Facility back in operation Date: 04/29/09 Time: 1900 hours

Signature (closed by Locis Date 4-30-09

Senior Environmental Control Engineer Phone: 412-233-1015